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In re Application of

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INSPECTION STATIONS

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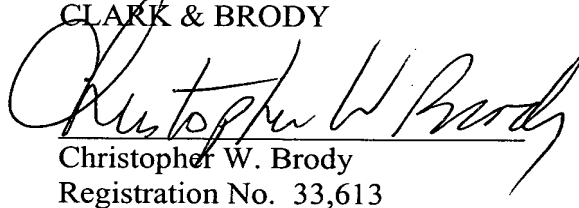
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	1.	4,077,254	3/1978	Mercer, Jr. et al.			Apr. 25, 1977
	2.	5,505,312	4/1996	Haring, et al.			Jul. 13, 1994

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
							YES	NO
	3.	EP 0 897 760 A1	2/1999	EUROPE			✓	
	4.	JP A 62-16920	1/1987	JAPAN			✓	
	5.	G8903180.6	6/1989	GERMANY				✓

## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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